

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall Construction bolsters North West team with area director appointments**

Morgan Sindall Construction has strengthened its leadership team in the North West with the appointment of new area directors for Liverpool and Manchester.

The announcement comes just under a year after Barry Roberts was promoted to managing director for Morgan Sindall Construction across the North West, and is the latest stage of the company's plan to grow its operation across the region.

Richard Potts has been promoted from senior operations manager to area director for Liverpool, while Shaun Jones has joined the company to assume the role as area director for Manchester.

Shaun brings with him over thirty years' experience in the construction industry, with experience covering residential, including hotels and student accommodation, commercial, education and healthcare with a strong emphasis on pre-construction and repeat business.

Richard has been with Morgan Sindall Construction since 2014, and has overseen the delivery of a range of schools through the Priority Schools Building Programme, as well as Bupa's 148,000 square foot state-of-the-art flagship office at Salford Quays.

The appointments come at a significant time for Morgan Sindall Construction in the North West, with the contractor currently on site at several landmark developments across the region.

On Merseyside, Morgan Sindall Construction continues to deliver significant projects for Liverpool City Council at the Paddington Village Central site in the city's Knowledge Quarter. The company is currently onsite delivering two schemes, with significant upcoming developments including a new £35 million 160 bed hotel and a 60-bedroom upscale aparthotel. The four star hotel will be operated by Accor under the Novotel brand with the aparthotel operated by Legacy Hotels & Resorts. The company has also recently been appointed to transform the former Royal Mail building on Copperas Hill into a teaching hub and sports centre for Liverpool John Moores University. The site will provide high quality new buildings and open spaces, as well as regenerating a key gateway site in the heart of Liverpool city centre.

In Greater Manchester, work began in October 2018 at the third build-to-rent block at English Cities Fund's Slate Yard residential project in Salford. When complete, the £34 million, 21 storey tower, located within the New Bailey development, will comprise 199 one, two and three bedroom homes. Work is also progressing on site at Manchester Metropolitan University's Arts & Humanities facility whilst pre-construction activities are progressing at Salford University's School of Computing, Science and Engineering project.

Commenting on the two appointments, Barry Roberts said: "This is a very exciting time for Morgan Sindall Construction in the North West, with our teams on site at projects that will transform pivotal localities in the region. However, there is no room for complacency and we are determined to further grow our footprint while delivering dynamic schemes that support the future prosperity of communities across the North West.

"Richard and Shaun both have a wealth of experience and unrivalled knowledge in how to deliver successful projects that provide value for money and an excellent experience for the end user. The value of these appointments is already being felt, and will allow us to continue to deliver an

exceptional service to customers old and new.”

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